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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Wayne J. Schmidt and Thomas H. Oberlitner
Application No. : 09/759,998 Confirmation No.: 1313
Filed : January 11, 2001
For : ROBOTS FOR MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE
HANDLING

Docket No. : 291958118US3

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AMENDMENT, REQUEST AND FEE TRANSMITTALFOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIPIN A NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

Sir:

This amendment and request under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) is being made to add the name of **Thomas H. Oberlitner** as an inventor of the invention that is now being claimed in the above-identified application.

A Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2) from Thomas H. Oberlitner that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part is enclosed. Also enclosed is a declaration by the actual named inventors as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.63, and the written consent of the assignee of the originally-named inventor as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(5). Also enclosed is an Election and Power of Attorney.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$130.00, as well as any fee deficiency, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0664.

Respectfully submitted,
Perkins Coie LLP

P.T.P.
Paul T. Parker
Registration No. 38,264

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Enclosures:

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Copy of this Request, Amendment and Fee Transmittal Statement by Thomas H. Oberlitner

Declaration

Consent of Assignee

Power of Attorney with copy of Assignment

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2) OF THOMAS H. OBERLITNERIN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIPIN A NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

As required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2), I, Thomas H. Oberlitner, hereby state that the error in omitting my name as an inventor of the invention that is now being claimed in the above-identified application occurred without deceptive intent on my part.

Date

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Thomas H. Oberlitner



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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP
IN A NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

Sir:

The undersigned, being Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an Assignment filed concurrently herewith, a copy of which is enclosed, hereby consent to the correction of inventorship filed herewith.

Semitool, Inc.

AUG 07 2001

Date


William A. Freeman
Senior Vice President, Finance and CFO

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1. Name(s) of conveying party(ies):

- 1) WAYNE J. SCHMIDT
- 2) THOMAS H. OBERLITNER
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)
- 6)

Additional names of conveying parties attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance:

 Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Other _____

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1) 08/20/01	4) _____
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2. Name and address of receiving party:

Name: SEMITOOL, INC.

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Street Address: 655 WEST RESERVE DRIVECity KALISPELL State MTZip: 59901Additional names & addresses attached? Yes No

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application,
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A. Patent Application No(s).

09/759,998

B. Patent No(s).

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: PERKINS COIE LLPInternal Address: PATENT-SEAStreet Address: P.O. Box 1247City: SEATTLE State: WA ZIP: 98111-1247

6. Total number of applications and patents involved _____

7. Total Fee (37 CFR 3.41): 40.00 Enclosed Check No 1319 Authorized to be charged to deposit account8. Deposit account number: 50-0665

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9. Statement and signature.

*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*PAUL T. PARKER

Name of Person Signing

P. T. Parker

Signature

3/4/2002

Date

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Wayne J. Schmidt and) Docket No.: 291958118US3
Thomas H. Oberlitner) Semitool Number: P99-0022US4
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WORKPIECE HANDLING)
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FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned do hereby:

SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to Semitool, Inc. (the "Assignee"), a corporation of Montana, having a place of business at 655 West Reserve Drive, Kalispell, Idaho 59901, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, which has been executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith and is entitled "**ROBOTS FOR MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE HANDLING**"; such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such application in the United States of America;

AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States and foreign patents granted on such improvements to the Assignee;

WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been or will be made to others by the undersigned, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

COVENANT that, when requested and at the expense of the Assignee, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all such improvements; execute all rightful oaths, declarations, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to the Assignee all facts known to the undersigned relating to such improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which the Assignee shall consider desirable for securing, maintaining and enforcing proper patent protection for such improvements and for vesting title to such improvements in the Assignee;

TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.


Wayne J. Schmidt

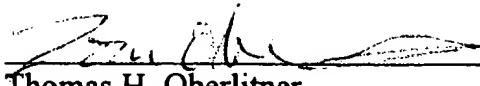
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STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss.
County of Ada)

BEFORE ME, this 26 day of August, 2001, personally appeared the above-named individual, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.




Notary or Consular Officer
My Commission Expires 8/26/03



Thomas H. Oberlitner

Date: 8/8/21

STATE OF IDAHO)
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County of _____)

BEFORE ME, this _____ day of _____, 20____, personally appeared the above-named individual, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

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ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.71 AND 3.73
AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

The undersigned, being Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an Assignment filed concurrently herewith, a copy of which is enclosed, hereby elects under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventors.

Assignee hereby appoints JERRY A. RIEDINGER, Registration No. 30,582; MAURICE J. PIRIO, Registration No. 33,273; JOHN C. STEWART, Registration No. 40,188; MICHAEL D. BROADDUS, Registration No. 41,637; BRIAN P. MCQUILLEN, Registration No. 41,989; CATHERINE HONG TRAN, Registration No. 43,960; ROBERT G. WOOLSTON, Registration No. 37,263; PAUL T. PARKER, Registration No. 38,264; JOHN M. WECHKIN, Registration No. 42,216; CHRISTOPHER DALEY-WATSON, Registration No. 34,807; STEVEN D. LAWRENZ, Registration No. 37,376; JAMES A.D. WHITE, Registration No. 43,985; EDWARD S.

HOTCHKISS, Registration No. 33,904; JAMES NICKELSON, Registration No. 46,140; STEPHEN E. ARNETT, Registration No. 47,392; and DAVINA L. CHILDS, Registration No. 47,485, of Perkins Coie LLP, as the principal attorneys with full power of substitution, association, and revocation to prosecute said application, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to receive the letters patent therefor. Please direct all correspondence to Customer Number 25096.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned duly authorized designee of Assignee certifies that the evidentiary documents have been reviewed, specifically the Assignment to Semitool, Inc. filed concurrently herewith for recording, a copy of which is attached hereto, and certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the Assignee.

Semitool, Inc.

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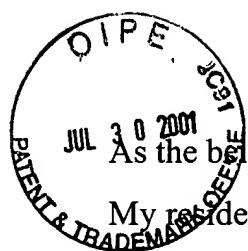
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Senior Vice President, Finance and CFO

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Enclosure:

Copy of Assignment



DECLARATION

As the below-named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "ROBOTS FOR MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE HANDLING," the specification of which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 11, 2001 and assigned application number 09/759,998; and that this application is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/US99/15567, which was filed in English on July 9, 1999; which application claims priority from U.S. Patent Application No. 09/114,105, filed July 11, 1998; which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/990,107, filed December 15, 1997.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification and claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.



Wayne J. Schmidt

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DECLARATION

As the below-named inventors, we declare that:

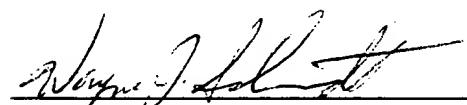
Our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below under our names.

We believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "ROBOTS FOR MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE HANDLING," the specification of which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 11, 2001 and assigned application number 09/759,998; and that this application is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/US99/15567, which was filed in English on July 9, 1999; which application claims priority from U.S. Patent Application No. 09/114,105, filed July 11, 1998; which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/990,107, filed December 15, 1997.

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